

**REMARKS****Restriction Requirement**

Previously the present Application was subject to a restriction requirement mailed June 26, 2010. The present Office Action withdraws the previous restriction and has submits a new grounds of restriction requirement.

The Office Action of December 30, 2010 groups the claims into the following groups:

Group I: claims 1-13.

Group II, claims 24-26.

Group III: claim 27-33.

In response to the election requirement, applicants select group I and hereby elects the aldehyde species covered by amended claims 1, 6, 7, 14, 15, 18 and 19 submitted herewith. Applicants further select the aldehyde species salicylaldehyde.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As per 37 CFR 1.146, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to a reasonable number of species in addition to the elected species.

**Claim Status**

Claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of prior claims 12, 13 and 23.

Claims 15 to 17 are amended to replace the epoxy reactive moiety with -- alcohol, amine, thiol or carboxylic acid moiety-- as specified in prior claim 13.

Further claim amendments are made to provide for proper dependency.

Claims 2-5, 8-13, 20-21, and 23 are cancelled.

Claims 24-33 are withdrawn.

**Reference to International Search Report**

The Office Action delivered December 30, 2010 makes reference to Rasshofer et al, US Patent 4,368,278 as cited in the International Search Report. Sent herewith is a copy of the International Search Report. Applicants note in this Report, there is no reference to the Rasshofer et al. document. However, Rasshofer et al. is disclosed as disclosing N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyltetrahydropyrimidine which has an imine group and a hydroxyl group.

As amended, the claims are clearly distinguished from Rasshofer et al. as there is no disclosure in Rasshofer et al. in producing the current claimed catalyst composition.

**SUMMARY**

In view of the above, Applicants believe this response is fully responsive to the Office Action of December 30, 2010. If there are any remaining issues, it is requested the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the phone number listed below.

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